

Remarks


Throughout claims 1-6 the word "member" has been substituted for "frustum" with the member described as "having a frustoconical shape."

Section 112, sixth paragraph, applies to the "means" claimed in claims 7-9.

In view of the supplemental amendments and remarks it is believed that claims 1-9 are in condition for allowance along with claims 10-15 which have been previously allowed. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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